Sl. No.	State	No. of districts covered	Total Geog. Area of dist. covered	Total W.L. area in dist. covered
3.	Assam	23	78438.00	20019.17
4.	Bihar	55	173877.00	20997.55
5.	Goa	02	3702.00	613.27
6.	Gujarat	25	196024.00	43021.28
7.	Haryana	19	44212.00	3733.98
8.	Himachal Pradesh	12	55673.00	31659.00
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	14	222236.10	65444.24
10.	Karnataka	27	191791.00	20839.28
11.	Kerala	14	38863.00	1448.18
12.	Madhya Pradesh	62	443446.00	69713.75
13.	Maharashtra	32	307690.00	53489.08
14.	Manipur	09	22327.00	12948.62
15.	Meghalaya	07	22429.00	9904.38
16.	Mizoram	03	21081.00	4071.68
17.	Nagaland	07	16579.00	8404.10
18.	Orissa	30	155707.00	21341.71
19.	Punjab	17	50362.00	2228.40
20.	Rajasthan	32	342239.00	105639.11
21.	Sikkim	04	7096.00	3569.58
22.	Tripura	04	10486.00	1276.03
23.	Tamil Nadu	29	130058.00	23013.90
24.	Uttar Pradesh	83	29441.00	38772.80
25.	West Bengal	18	88752.00	5718.48
26.	Union Territories	20	10973.00	574.30
	TOTAL.	584	3287263.00	638518.31

Source: 1:50,000 scale wasteland maps prepared from Landsat Tehmatic Mapper/IRS LISS II/III Data.

'Food for Work' programme in Orissa

4860. SHRI ANANTA SETHI : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the 'Food for Work' programme has been launched in the cyclone affected areas in Orissa;

(b) if so, the Central assistance released to the State Government for launching 'Food for Work' programme;

(c) the progress of work as on date; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDER LAL PATWA): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. On the specific request of the State Government of Orissa, a 'Food for Work' programme was started in the 14 cyclone affected districts of Orissa, in the first instance, to the tune of Rs. 105 crore. The Centre agreed to contribute Rs. 78.74 crore against the State's contribution of Rs. 26.26 crore. The first instalment of Central assistance amounting to Rs. 39.37 crore was released during March, 2000. In addition, Department of Public Distribution has agreed to provide foodgrains in the form of rice at the BPL price through Food Corporation of India (FCI). The subsidy on rice provided to the State Government of Orissa under this programme is to be met by Department of Public distribution.

(c) and (d) the State Government of Orissa has informed that against the allotment of 31500 M.T. of rice to the cyclone affected districts, 135.76 M.T. of rice has been distributed at the rate of Rs. 2 kg. per manday partly in lie of wages. The State Government has taken up 10398 projects and the total expenditure incurred upto 8.5.2000 comes to Rs. 226.76 lakh.

Special schemes for Orissa districts

4861. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have implemented any special scheme or the development of the rural areas in Kalahandi, Bolangir and Koraput (KBK) districts in Orissa;

(b) if so, the steps taken in this regard during Eighth Five Year Plan;

(c) the fund earmarked for implementing those special schemes in Ninth Five Year Plan; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDER LAL PATWA): (a) to (d) In order to focus on high priority schemes which would deal with the basic problems of the undivided districts of Koraput, Bolangir and Kalahandi, the Government of Orissa has prepared the Revised Long Term action Plan (1998-99 to 2006-07) which comprises Central Plan and Centrally